

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Abraham SHAHAR et al. Confirmation No.  
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For: CROSS-LINKED HYALURONIC ACID- Attorney Docket No.: 85189-498  
LAMININ GELS AND USE THEREOF IN CELL  
CULTURE AND MEDICAL IMPLANTS

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:


Pursuant to applicants duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, enclosed is a Form PTO-1449 which list ten (10) references for the Examiner's review and consideration.

Pursuant to the recent rule change in the Official Gazette, copies of the U.S. references are not submitted. The other references were cited in the related applications serial nos. 09/463,028, filed March 20, 2000, and 10/437,663 filed May 13, 2003. Copies are not enclosed as they should be available in this file. Should the Examiner not be able to locate any of these references, applicants will supply copies upon request. It is respectfully requested that these references be made of record in this application by the Examiner's completion and return of the Form PTO-1449.

No fee or certification is believed to be due for this submission since the references are being submitted concurrent with the filing of this application. Should any fees be required, however, please charge such fees to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 501-814.

Respectfully submitted,

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